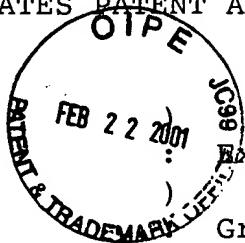


IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
TSUKASA SAKO, ET AL.

Application No.: 09/729,346

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Examiner: Unassigned
Group Art Unit: Unassigned

The Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the following U.S. Applications:

<u>APPLICATION NO.</u>	<u>FILING DATE</u>	<u>GROUP ART UNIT</u>
09/385,056	08/30/99	2713

09/553,958	08/30/99	2876
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09/408,447	09/29/99	2721
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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(iii), a copy of the cited U.S. Applications is enclosed.

FEE STATEMENT

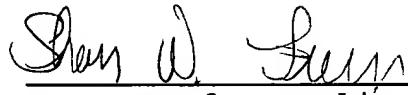
The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three (3) months of the filing date of the present application or prior to the mailing of a first Official Action on the merits of the application. Accordingly, Applicants believe that no fee is necessitated by the filing of this paper. Nevertheless, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee necessitated by the filing of this paper to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed for that purpose.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that an initialed copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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